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his responsibility is to spend them

for the good of society.

There is a bright side to this picture of holiday silliness. In Paducah a spirit of charity such as never was known before has taken possession of the city. The Union Rescue Mission, the Charity club, the Salvation Army, the Sunday schools and the Elks, assisted in a most enthusiastic manner by the police force, are seeing that none suffer. It was a happy plan of the Elks to provide individual baskets for the poor, and anyone who wishes to know, can learn from any Elk tomorrow what it is to experience the joy of giving.

In all our criticism of Mr. Bryan we have always given him credit for consistent honesty of purpose, but his recent utterance on Secretary of State Root's speech on nationalism, viewed in the light of some of his past declarations, bears close resemblance to demagoguery. We are sorry, too, for honest opposition to the government, no matter how able, always keeps the administration in the straight and narrow path. Here is what Mr. Bryan has to say, after defending the theory of local self-government (a point never touched upon by Mr. Root):

If Secretary Root has in mind the Japanese question as it presented itself in California he will find the American people unwilling to turn the school system over to the federal government merely to please any foreign nation, however friendly. The weeks have scarce merged into months since Mr. Bryan hurled the bolts of his oratory against the idea of increasing the navy. The expressed purpose of the administration in increasing the fighting force on the seas was the preservation of the peace. Mr. Bryan said it would cause war instead of peace, and insisted that the best way to preserve peace is to act honorably toward all nations and court their friendship. Such a bellicose gentleman should at least be consistent enough to advocate measures for establishing the country on a war footing before calling attention to the chip on Uncle Sam's shoulder. We greatly fear Mr. Bryan, finding the administration doing all the practicable things he advocated, has joined the ranks of the "knockers" from sheer force of habit.

Congressman De Armond, of Missouri, leading representative of that party, which professes to be horrified at the suggestion that the federal government is gradually absorbing control of those affairs in which we as a nation are interested, has introduced a resolution, which has for its object no less weighty matter than the amendment of the constitution of the United States, including the abolition of that great monument to state rights, the election of United States senators by state legislatures. The reason he advocates the election of senators by the people, is that legislatures in some states are choosing bad men. How quaintly we reason some times. The legislators are elected by counties. We have every opportunity in the world to ascertain the character of the men we send to the state capital. There is no reason why we should not send good men. The senators if elected by direct vote would be nominated by the same sort of means that the legislative ticket now is. The trouble with us is, we wish to devise some means of cleansing politics without assuming the responsibility ourselves. If we are electing bad legislators, who are in turn electing bad senators, the fault is ours, and we will never get better senators until we correct the fault which is in us.

Chicago educators like everybody else in Chicago are up-to-date. They are about to introduce into the public schools the "hugless" dance and the "waterless" swim, by teaching the minut and its contemporary dances, and the motions of swimming. The latter idea eventually may insure the safety of every pupil of the school provided the training is accompanied with the parental instruction to

"Hang your clothes, on a hickory limb,
"But don't go near the water."
As for the "hugless" dance—well, we would be more optimistic if they tried to eliminate the dance.

One little soul has been sacrificed to the toy pistol craze, and one little heart that beat with hope and excitement as Christmas time approached is stilled in the cold grave on Christmas eve. Sorrowing parents, who had anticipated his joy when he awoke on the Christmas morn to find what he had most desired hanging on the tree, will spend a sad day. When will the sale of toy pistols and the dynamite bomb be prohibited?

Another romance gone to pot. We almost sympathized with murderer Albert Patrick because we thought he was putting up such a plucky fight, and now we learn that his brother-in-law was putting up a half million dollars. After all, it is the old, sordid story that a man who has plenty of money can delay and often avert the extreme penalty of the law.

In accordance with our custom of observing Christmas The Sun will give its employees a holiday tomorrow and there will be no issue of this paper.

Mr. J. W. Halley, of Monroe, La., and Mr. G. H. Halley, of Springfield, Ill., have arrived to spend the holidays in the city.

RIVER NEWS

River Stages.

Cairo	33.8	0.6	rise
Chattanooga	7.7	1.6	fall
Cincinnati	31.0	6.2	fall
Evansville	34.5	0.3	rise
Florence	7.0	0.2	fall
Johnsonville—Missing.			
Louisville	11.0	3.8	fall
Mt. Carmel	10.4	3.4	fall
Nashville	25.5	3.8	afill
Pittsburg	5.7	1.4	fall
Davis Island Dam—Missing.			
St. Louis—Missing.			
Mt. Vernon	33.7	0.8	rise
Paducah	20.9	0.7	rise

The wharf was nearly as dull today as it will be tomorrow. The Dick Fowler is not running in the Cairo trade, the Joe Fowler has tied up for a week leaving the Evansville trade, so that the Royal and the George Cowling of the packets, touched at the wharf during the day. The river rose .7 in the last 48 hours, the stage being 30.9.

At the dry docks they are hammering away at the Kit Carson and barges. It will be two weeks yet before the Kit Carson will be finished.

The Clyde was pulled out on the ways Saturday and the Dick Fowler will be taken out today. The Dick Fowler arranged with the T. H. Davis to precede it on the ways, and consequently did not have to go to Mount City as expected.

The Charles Turner left for the Cumberland river today, after ties.

The Jim Duffy left Saturday evening for Nashville, towing docks and barges for use there in the tie business of the Ayer-Lord Tie company. The Duffy will bring back a tow of ties.

The towboat Birmingham will arrive today from the White river with a tow of logs.

A half dozen passengers and several loads of freight came down to the Dick Fowler this morning, but as that steamer will not run for a week or ten days, they had to go back up the hill.

The City of Saltillo will arrive out of the Tennessee river tomorrow or Wednesday, but probably will not go any farther down the river than Joppa.

With the exception of the John Hopkins and possibly the Saltillo, no boats will be running tomorrow. The wharfbat will not receive freight. The ways and dry docks will be quiet.

MILUKOFF BARRED IN ELECTION

Russian Leader Meets Fate of Other Constitutional Democrats.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.—Professor Paul M. Milukoff, who is president of the constitutional Democratic party and has been slated to become its floor leader in the next parliament, has been declared ineligible to election to the lower house because he has not the necessary residence qualification.

Professor Serge A. Mouroumsoff, was president of the last lower house and a number of other former members, have been debarred not only from standing as candidates, but even from voting in the elections.

Administrative measures against the constitutional Democrats are being sharpened instead of relaxed as the date of the election draws near. They are not permitted to hold meetings and printing establishments have been forbidden, under very severe penalties, to publish their literature.

KITCHENER CAPTURED.

Falls Victim to Wiles of American Widow.

New York, Dec. 24.—Cable dispatches today bring a London report that Mrs. Samuel Sloane Chauncey of New York, is engaged to marry Lord Kitchener, Mrs. Chauncey has been called the "most beautiful widow in the world." She was Alice Carr, of Louisville, Ky., before her marriage, and formerly lived in southern Indiana. After the death of the father, the family was poor, but the beauty of the two daughters attracted attention, and the elder, Alice, soon became the acknowledged belle of Louisville. After her marriage to Mr. Chauncey she won a conspicuous place for herself in New York society. Mrs. Chauncey took the mother and sister abroad and while in London Lord Northborough fell in love with Grace Carr and married her. Since the marriage of her sister Mrs. Chauncey has spent the greater part of her time abroad.

COLD VICTIMS RAID FUEL TRAIN

Business Men and Farmers of Berwick, N. D., Seize Coal in Transit.

Minneapolis, Dec. 24.—Dispatches from Berwick, N. D., say that a gathering of citizens and farmers from the near by country took possession of a train at that point yesterday and helped themselves to ten tons of coal. The train was stalled on the village siding by a dead engine and the raid was begun by some farmers who had been waiting in the town all night in hope that they could secure fuel.

Bankers, barbers and business men joined in the distribution, all coal taken being weighed and charged to the recipients who are to pay the railroad company for it.

NEWS NOTES FROM SUNDAY PAPERS

The will of the late Prof. William W. Borden, who died last week at his home in Borden, Ind., was probated in Jeffersonville. His museum, containing one of the finest private geological collections in the country, is left to the people of Indiana, to be managed by a board of trustees. The rest of the estate is left to Mrs. Borden.

The interstate commerce commission will meet in Washington in a few days and recommend to congress some legislation for the relief of shippers who have been suffering from car shortage conditions.

Tom Wilson, a painter, ran amuck in Bowling Green, with a repeating shotgun. He wounded six persons during his wild dash, and two of them may die.

Justice John M. Harlan, of the supreme court of the United States, and Mrs. Harlan were the recipients of many congratulations at the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary at Washington.

There is a well-defined rumor in Washington to the effect that the departure of the British ambassador from this country is attended by similar circumstances as those connected with the Storor incident.

Guests in the Lucile hotel, at Madisonville, had narrow escapes when the building was destroyed by fire at an early hour. They were forced to leave in their night clothes. The hotel will be rebuilt at once.

News has reached Mexico City of the serious illness of Olegario Molina, governor of the state of Yucatan. It was recently reported that Gov. Molina should enter President Diaz's cabinet.

The 1904 crop of tobacco held by the Green river district branch of the American Society of Equity was sold to the truck at Owensboro, a satisfactory price being secured.

It is reported that Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who was defeated for reelection, will take to the lecture platform for the purpose of denouncing the Mormon church.

Repairs to the disabled engine of the battleship Louisiana were completed at New Orleans. The battleship is scheduled to sail today for Hampton Roads.

The state department will hold an examination on January 10 to select student interpreters for service in China and Japan. There are three vacancies.

In accordance with an annual custom, the married employees of the White House have been presented with turkey with the compliments of the president.

Frank R. Mowrey, the first consular representative of the United States at Abyssinia, has arrived at Addis Ababa.

A Merry Christmas to One and All

WE extend you all the greetings of this happy season, and trust that the day will be the happiest of happy days for you and yours.

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HUGLESS DANCING.

Waterless Swimming Will Be Taught in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—"Hugless" dancing and "waterless" swimming are to be taught in the Chicago public schools. The 270,000 pupils will balance forward and back, trip through the rhythmic steps of the stately mazurka, glide gracefully into waltzes and two-steps, trip through polkas, or dash over the floor in an old-fashioned gallop. But they will trip, glide and dash alone. No youthful arm will be allowed to belt the girl's waist, and they won't even know that they are dancing, because in the curriculum the "hugless" dancing is catalogued as "fancy steps."

As for the "swimming," the pupils will be allowed to hang themselves from flying hickory rings and go through the motions of swimming in midair.

Beginning with the opening of the public schools for the winter term on January 2 the course of study is to be enriched by the introduction of the "hugless" dancing and the "waterless" swimming.

YALE GETS ESTATE OF \$100,000

Legacy Left by Dr. E. B. Belden, of New York, of Class of 1841.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24.—Yale University will very soon come into possession of an unrestricted legacy amounting to \$100,000, the residuary estate of Dr. Ebenezer B. Belden, of New York city, who was a member of the class of 1841. The property was left with a life interest to Dr. Belden's sister, and now by her death falls to Yale. It consists of personal property and of real estate in New York city. Dr. Belden died in 1885.

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The New Store extends greetings of the season and takes this opportunity to thank you, one and all, for the generous patronage that has made this, our first Christmas, such a success.

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